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SUBJECT:JUDICIAL ASSISTANCE: UNITED STATES V. GARY FRIEDRICH

1. U.S. ATTORNEY FOR DISTRICT OF NEVADA IS PROSECUTING FRIEDRICH FOR UNLAWFUL IMPORTATION OF RAW MATERIAL FOR LSD. ESSENTIAL WITNESS IS FRIEDRICH'S COURIER, HANS VANDERWOLFE, NETHERLANDS CITIZEN, WHO IS WILLING TO COOPERATE WITH PROSECUTION.

2. VANDERWOLFE HAS BEEN TRIED AND CONVICTED ON TWO GAMBLING CHECK FRAUD COUNTS IN THE NETHERLANDS, AND WAS SENTENCED AT THE HAGUE (CASE NO 398-72) AND ROTTERDAM (2448-73). DEPT. UNDERSTANDS THAT GOVT OF THE NETHERLANDS WILL NOT ISSUE PASSPORT TO VANDERWOLFE BECAUSE OF THESE CONVICTIONS.

3. BECAUSE VANDERWOLFE'S TESTIMONY IS CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL BY PROSECUTOR, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT APPROPRIATE GOVT AGENCY TO ASK THAT PASSPORT BE ISSUED TO
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HIM. (U.S. JUSTICE DEPT SUGGESTED LIMITED PASSPORT OR OTHER TRAVEL DOCUMENT MIGHT BE ISSUED.)

4. TRIAL IS SET FOR 11/7/77, BUT VANDERWOLFE'S PRESENCE MAY BE REQUESTED FOR WEEK OF 11/1. IF HE IS ALLOWED TO TRAVEL TO U.S. (AT JUSTICE DEPT EXPENSE) JUSTICE DEPT ASSURES THAT HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED AT ALL TIMES BY AGENTS

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OF DEA OR US CUSTOMS SERVICE AND WILL BE MAINTAINED IN CUSTODY AS MATERIAL WITNESS.

5. ALTHOUGH TRIAL WILL NOT BEGIN FOR 2 MONTHS, JUSTICE ANXIOUS TO BEGIN WORK ON THIS REQUEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SINCE WITNESS'S PRESENCE ESSENTIAL AND JUSTICE BELIEVES THERE MAY BE DIFFICULTY IN GETTING PERMISSION FOR HIM TO LEAVE THE NETHERLANDS.

6. HAGUE REQUESTED ASSIST CONSULAR OFFICER ROTTERDAM IN APPROACHING MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND OTHER MINISTRY AS APPROPRIATE. VANCE

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